

Maldives

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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

Construction has begun on a floating city that will house up to 20,000 people. The project, due to be completed by 2027, is an initiative to help address the issues of both loss of land due to rising sea levels and overcrowding in the capital city. The project has been in development for the last decade and is a cooperative initiative between the government of Maldives and a Netherlands architecture company. Pray that the issues around climate change and rising water levels will be taken seriously and appropriate actions be taken. Pray for the people of Maldives whose futures may be threatened by the rising water levels to find that their faith is also shaken. May this result in a greater openness to the love of the Creator God (The Bible, [Nehemiah 9:6](#)).

Source: [Introducing the world's first floating city_\(Positive News\)](#)

MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

The Maldives is Asia's smallest country by area and population known for its lucrative tourism industry. It is an extremely closed country, claiming to be 100 percent Muslim, and heavily repressing any Christian influence. Only a handful of secret Believers live in the Maldives. Dozens of Maldivians joined IS in the last decade; the island nation is believed to be "fertile ground for recruitment" to radical Islam. Surprising results in general elections a few years ago saw the opposition leader Ibrahim Mohamed Solih defeating the former president, Abdulla Yameen who was charged and jailed on corruption charges. The new government began reforms but has struggled to see any real effective change take place. COVID-19 had a significant impact on the tourism industry in 2020 and 2021 but has shown good signs of recovery in 2022.



CHIEF OF STATE

President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih

HEAD OF GOV.

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POPULATION

393,000

CHRISTIANS

0%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

0%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Sunni Islam

PERSECUTION RANKING

15

REFUGEES

45

LIFE EXPECTANCY

75.37 yrs

LITERACY RATE

99%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

16%